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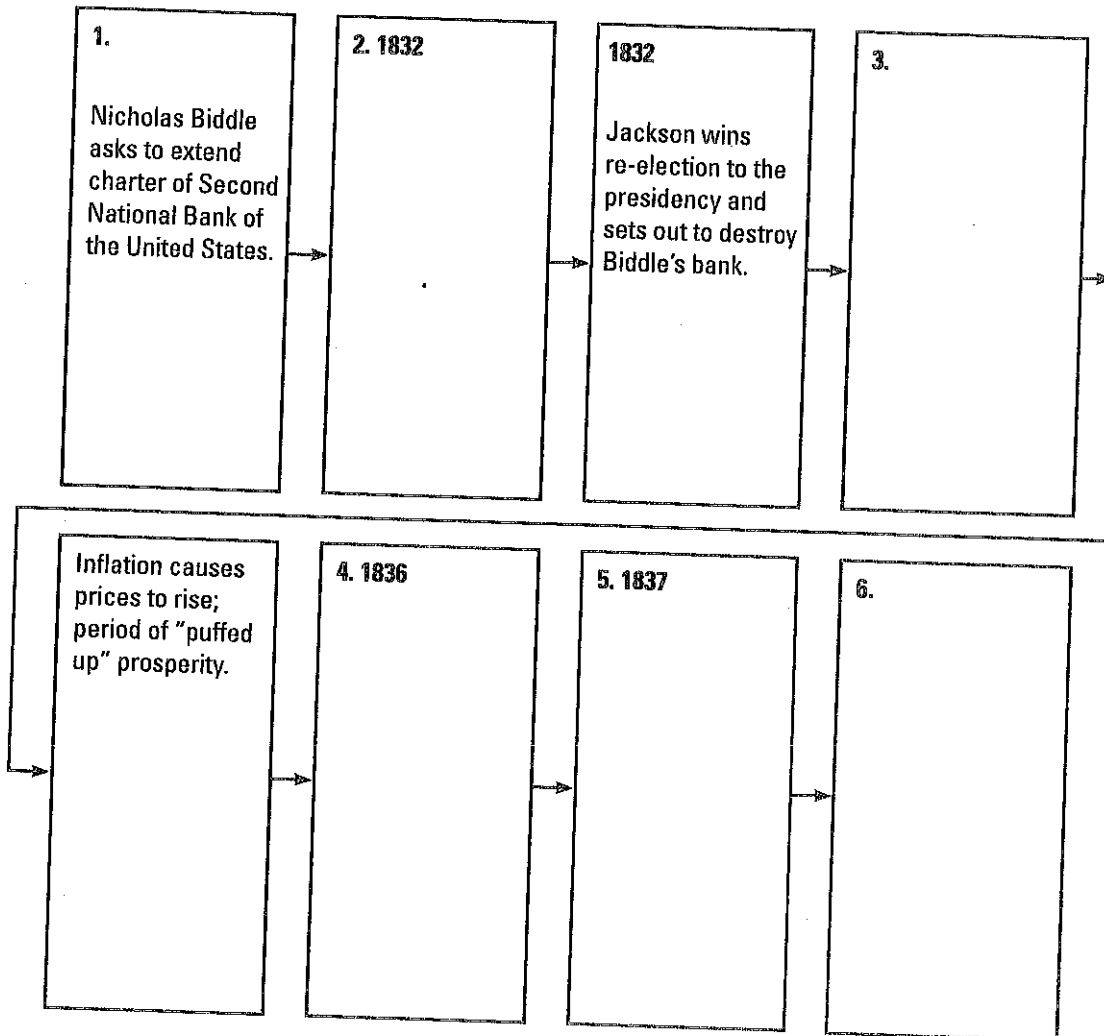
## READING STUDY GUIDE

## Prosperity and Panic

• **Before, You Learned** During Jackson's presidency, Native Americans were forced to move west of the Mississippi River.

• **Now You Will Learn** After Jackson left office, his policies cause the economy to collapse and affected the next election.

**AS YOU READ** Take notes listing events in this section in the order in which they occurred. Use the sequence graphic organizer on both pages of this worksheet.



Chapter 12, SECTION 3: PROSPERITY AND PANIC, *CONTINUED*

1812

William Henry Harrison  
becomes a war hero.Henry Clay, Daniel  
Webster, and others  
form the Whig Party.

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Harrison wins the  
election.

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10.

**MARK IT UP!** Circle each term where it appears in your notes and be sure you understand its meaning. If a term does not appear, write the term outside the box where it *best* belongs.

Martin Van Buren  
Panic of 1837  
depression

Whig Party  
William Henry Harrison  
John Tyler

**SKILLBUILDER****Primary Source Quotation**

"All communities are apt to look for the Government for too much. Even in our own country, where its powers and duties are so strictly limited, we are prone to do so, especially at periods of sudden embarrassment and distress But his ought not to be. . . . [The framers of the Constitution] wisely judged that the less Government interferes with private pursuits, the better for the general prosperity."

—Martin Van Buren, from a letter to Congress dated  
September 5, 1837

11. **MARK IT UP!** Underline the times when Van Buren says people are likely to turn to their government for help.
12. **MARK IT UP!** Circle the word Van Buren uses to describe the government's interaction with the people.
13. What event was the nation experiencing at the time Van Buren wrote this letter to Congress?

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